



Joan Kaighn

July 3, 1932 - April 10, 2025

Joan Alma Kaighn, a recent resident of Manatee County, Florida and a long-term resident of Moorestown, New Jersey, passed from this life on April 10, 2025, at the age of 92 years old.

Born in Maple Shade, New Jersey, she was the daughter of the late Alma (Collins) Kaighn and Lewis S. Kaighn. She is survived by her four children: Rev. G. David Bauscher (Spouse-May Bauscher) of Cambridge N.Y., Tina Walsh (Bauscher) of Sarasota, Fl, Jill Bauscher-Neall of Medford, N.J., Michael Bauscher of Toms River, N.J., a brother Jeffrey C. Kaighn, of La Plata, Maryland, several nieces and nephews as well as 26 Grandchildren and many great-grand children, grand-nieces and grand-nephews. Joan was pre-deceased by her brothers, Carl L. Kaighn, Robert D. Kaighn, as well as a grandson, Benjamin Bauscher.

After graduating from Moorestown High school in 1950, she raised a family and worked in various careers, including working 25 years at Rutgers University in admissions and the law school and selling real estate in her spare time. She was always an advocate for others and was a union steward for many years and vice president of AFSCME Local 1761 at Rutgers, Camden, New Jersey. At the age of 58 and after raising her family, she graduated from Rutgers University with a Bachelors Degree in Social Work. After “retiring” she continued helping others at community women’s shelters

and advocating for those in crisis.

In addition, she LOVED keeping tabs on her many grandchildren. Joan enjoyed reading, traveling, painting, writing and spent hundreds of hours doing genealogy research, including traveling to the Isle of Man and many graveyards and libraries looking for her ancestors. She made our home a refuge filled with love and the center of our lives. All of her family and friends will treasure her spirit, her sense of adventure and will remember her with great love always. Joan Kaighn led a life of immeasurable inspiration and meaning which inspired us all.

A visitation for Joan will be held on Friday June 27th from 1-3:00pm, at the Lewis Funeral Home, 78 E. Main Street, Moorestown, NJ 08057.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 27. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Lewis Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall

DA

“ *Everyday I think of you, watching the sun set, a butterfly on a flower, and in all the unexpected beauty I come across. I love you grandma. Thank you for always inspiring me.* ”

Dana - July 11, 2025 at 09:01 PM

ES

“ *She was one of a kind ☐ she was practical and had a heart of gold. I loved our visits and especially when she come to Mount Holly to see me at work. Forever in my ❤️* ”

Edith Santos - June 26, 2025 at 06:40 AM

Jl

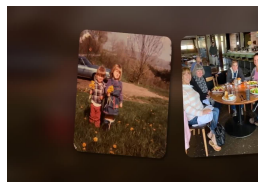
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Jill - June 03, 2025 at 01:43 PM



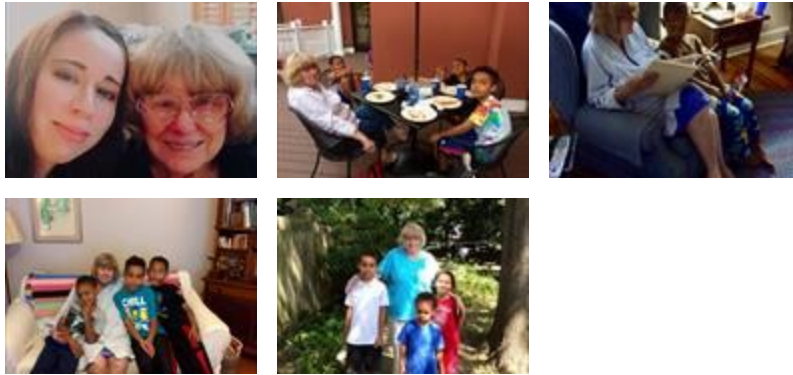
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Lewis Funeral Home - May 30, 2025 at 11:03 AM

JB

“ Dear Grandma, thank you for sharing all of my favorite memories of you as a kid with my children. You mean the world to me! All of my love. Xoxo



Joanna Bauscher - May 21, 2025 at 09:00 PM

JN

“ Jill Neall lit a candle in memory of Joan Kaighn



Jill Neall - May 09, 2025 at 01:29 AM

AK

“ So many memories, so many stories. You were always so generous with your love and time for every one. Opinionated, quick to the point and no excuses is how you motivated me and I love you for it. I will miss you dearly.

Andrew Kaighn - May 05, 2025 at 01:36 PM

JK

“ I sometimes think of her and all you kids in the big farm house.
Fond memories of my big sister. Raised a great family! Will miss
you Joanie!

Jeffrey Kaighn - May 01, 2025 at 04:57 PM

JN

She spoke about you and her family and never forgot us...
She had so many good times in Florida; she thought she was on a
continual vacation..
Hopefully, we'll continue that vacation someday. She's deeply missed.

Jill Neall - May 09, 2025 at 01:26 AM

JB

“ My Best Friend in the Entire Universe..
What will I do without you...☐
I will carry your legacy; I will harness your spirit and fight forever for
that which you fought for..
❤️ I LOVE YOU ETERNALLY MOM ❤️



Jill Bauscher-Neall - April 29, 2025 at 08:20 PM

JK

“ I wouldn't be half the man I am today without you, I love you grandma, you are probably the most genuine person I have ever met, thank you for everything, you'll be in my heart



Justin Kaighn - April 28, 2025 at 09:41 PM

JB

She was so very proud of you! And adored all her Grandkids..

Jill Bauscher-Neall - April 29, 2025 at 08:10 PM

MJ

“ Our sincere condolences to the family. We have fond memories of Joan when we joined her and the family on a vacation in Ocean City, NJ. She was very gracious and unselfish in accommodating and welcoming us along with Rebecca Bauscher-Butler & Aaren Butler and other family members. Joan will be remembered for her wit and sense of humor. May God bless her sweet soul as she rest in everlasting peace. To God be the glory! Sincerely, Mildred & Thomas Cunningham, Jr. 🌸🙏

Mildred & Thomas Cunningham, Jr. - April 28, 2025 at 08:08 PM

JW

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Jess Walsh - April 28, 2025 at 05:05 PM

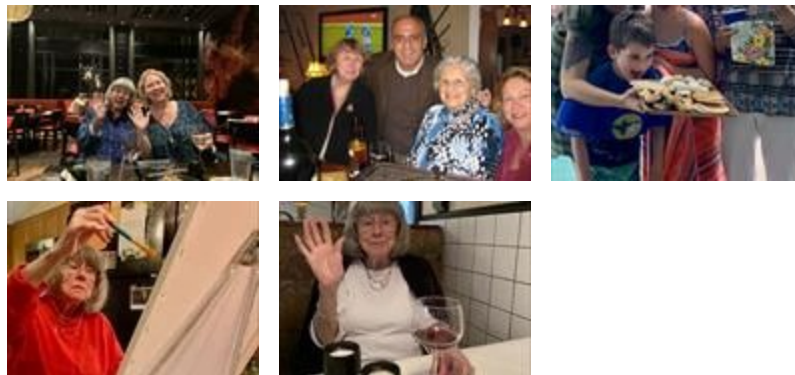
JB

Precious memories

Jill Bauscher-Neall - April 29, 2025 at 08:12 PM

JW

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Jess Walsh - April 28, 2025 at 04:56 PM

JH

“ *I remember my aunt as being a giving and resourceful person that raised a great family*

jack (john) Hinger - April 28, 2025 at 04:50 PM

MB

Thank you Jack. Everyone loved mom. Mike

Mike B - April 29, 2025 at 11:18 AM

JU

I appreciated how Aunt Joan called and kept in touch out of the blue, reminding me how important family is.

Judy - April 29, 2025 at 06:27 PM



“*Mom you left quite a legacy. We will always love you and remember our good times together. You were the best mom and grandmother. R.I.P. Tink*”



Tina Walsh - April 28, 2025 at 04:20 PM

TW

“*Tina L Walsh sent a virtual gift in memory of Joan Kaighn*”



Tina L Walsh - April 28, 2025 at 04:11 PM